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1. On 6 October 1950 YIM Chien-ying (葉劍英), commander of the Kwangtung Military District Headquarters, received a telegram from the Revolutionary Military Council in Peiping in answer to a report on the presence of foreign aircraft over the Pearl River Estuary. The telegram emphasized the importance of halting any infringement of Communist China's "air sovereignty" over the South China defense bases in the area concerned and set forth the following six measures:
 - a. Hereafter when foreign aircraft penetrate Chinese territory details must be provided giving the time, date and place of the incident as well as the number of aircraft and their types, insignia and identification numbers.
 - b. Give their altitude, direction of flight, and activities while over our territory.
 - c. Report any photographs taken by the aircraft.
 - d. Photograph their activities from a suitable position.
 - e. Concentrate all available fire power on them.
 - f. If there is an actual raid, our losses should be immediately investigated and photographs should be taken of the affected area.

2. The telegram was signed as follows:

Chairman: MAC Tse-tung

Vice Chairman: CHU Teh

LIU Shao-ch'i

CHOU En-lai

PU'NG Te-huai

CH'ENG Ch'ien

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